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A Message from Stan Hagen

Minister of Regional and Economic Development

It is gratifying to witness the degree of commitment, dedication and effort that the people of the Northeast Region have demonstrated over the last year.

When we launched the regional development initiative in 1987, we were fully aware that, for the process to work, people in every community would have to get involved. The people of the Northeast Region responded with enthusiasm.

Your accomplishments of the past year, whether measured in terms of their economic or social benefits, clearly demonstrate the excellence of the information and advice you have provided.

They also testify to the effectiveness of the regional development initiative and the process that has evolved over the first three years.

The regional development initiative represented an innovative and unique approach to governing — you could even say experimental. The experiment has worked as well as it has, in part, due to the flexibility of the system.

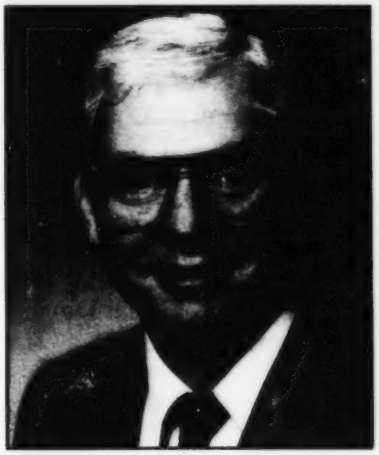
Last year, we introduced the Regional Development Board, which became the lead advocate for regional development initiatives. It meant that cabinet representation was increased from a single Minister of State to five cabinet ministers and three MLAs.

The results are obvious . . . and outstanding.

I would like to thank all the residents of the Northeast Region, who have worked tirelessly for the benefit of their region, and I wish you every success.

Congratulations to everyone involved, and keep up the good work.

A Message from Jack Weisgerber
Regional Advisory Board Chairman



Looking back on the last year, we have a lot to be proud of in the Northeast Region. We have taken the lead. We have recognized the potential of the regional development initiative and we have run with it.

The benefits are many, and evident everywhere.

- Farmers in the region are benefitting from the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration agreement that we signed with the federal government.
- Funding for Rendezvous '92, secured with the aid of the Regional Development Board, promises to put the Northeast Region on the world stage and bring benefits for years to come.
- Needy children are getting crucial dental care under a pilot program we negotiated with the Ministry of Health.
- Our forests are more safe from wildfires because of the air tanker that we persuaded the Ministry of Forests to station in the Region.
- Monkman Park will soon become a popular tourist destination, thanks to a new access road identified as a priority by the Region.
- On the recommendation of the Agriculture Committee and the Regional Advisory Board, the provincial government is providing $2.5 million in assistance to Northeast grain framers.

It has been a banner year for the Northeast Region and I commend all of you who have contributed your valuable time and talents to our regional committees. With the continued support of the people of the Northeast Region, we will continue to add to these accomplishments in the coming year.

Your hard work has brought us this far, and it will take us further yet. Thank you.

Introduction

This is a special Annual General Meeting. For the Northeast Region, the past year has been the most productive since the regional development initiative began.

The AGM gives the Regional Development Committee members, who sit on one of six Sector Committees, the opportunity to report on the year's activity.

This report is a summary of the accomplishments of the past year. It also contains a description of the structure established to oversee the regional development initiative in the Northeast Region.

Concluding the report is a directory of the people who participate on the Sector Committees, the Regional Development Committee, the Advisory Board and some key government contacts.

GROUPS FACILITATING REGIONALIZATION

Regionalization

The purpose of regionalization is to ensure that regional needs are reflected in provincial policies and programs. This purpose is pursued through:

- the identification of regional needs;
- the advocacy of regional needs in the development of provincial policies and programs;
- provision of regional input into provincial initiatives and strategies;
- regional participation in government programs; and
- assistance in major economic development projects.

Regionalization is accomplished through the efforts of the following groups working with the Minister of Regional and Economic Development.

Regional Development Committee

The Regional Development Committee is made up of representatives from local and regional government, business, industry and other specific contributing groups. Each of these groups is asked to name a representative to the Committee. The Regional Development Committee meets once a year at the Annual General Meeting.

Sector Committees

Each member of the Regional Development Committee is invited to be a member of one of the six sector-specific committees:

- Agriculture;
- Energy/Mining;
- Forestry;
- Government Services;
- Tourism/Small Business; and
- Transportation.

The Sector Committees:

- consider regional ideas and briefs presented to the committee; and
- recommend the formation of Task Groups to pursue specific ideas or initiatives.

Task Groups

A Task Group is an ad hoc working committee struck to address a specific initiative or idea. Members of the Task Group are drawn from the Sector Committee. With the approval of the Minister, the Chairperson may also invite members from the community-at-large to sit on the Task Group as resource people.

Advisory Board

The Advisory Board provides advice to the Regional Development Board related to priorities of the Region and ensures that issues which are pursued are regional in scope. The Advisory Board consists of:

- Representatives of the Municipalities and Regional Districts;
- Chairpersons of the Sector Committees; and
- MLAs in the Region.

Regional Development Board

In December, 1989, the Regional Development Board was formed to act as the lead advocate for regional initiatives. Consisting of five cabinet ministers and three MLAs, the Board meets on a regular basis to discuss regional priorities and develop recommendations for Cabinet.

ACTIVITY REPORTS

There has been considerable activity within the various sectors over the past year.

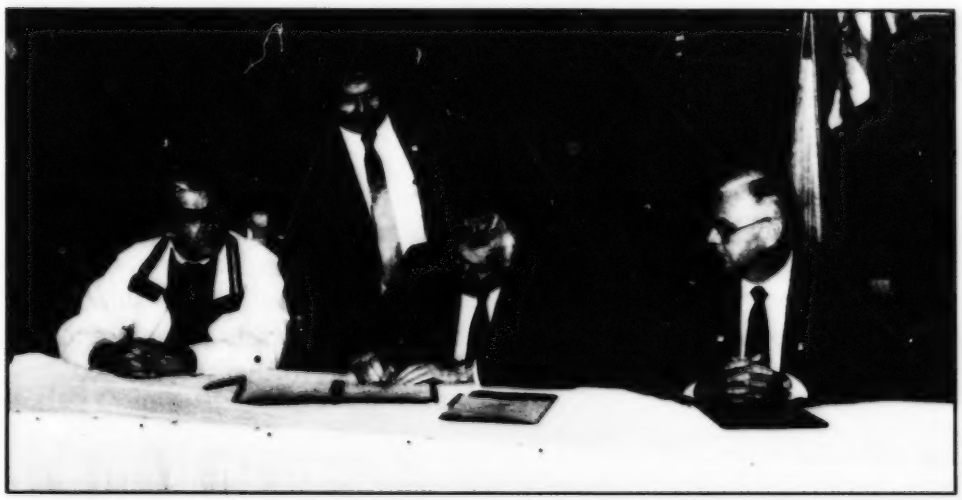
Agriculture

The Northeast is one of the most important regions in British Columbia for agricultural production. Among its many areas of activity, the Agriculture Committee has focused considerable attention on grain production issues. The status of specific agriculture initiatives includes:

Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration

Issue: The mandate of PFRA is to provide technical and financial assistance to farmers, local government, and other federal and provincial agencies for soil conservation and water development projects. The assistance promotes farm practice, tree culture, water supply and land utilization that helps stabilize the economy of the Region. PFRA is active in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta and the Agriculture Committee feels it should be extended to include the Northeast Region of British Columbia.

Status: An agreement was signed on October 20, 1989 by the provincial and federal Ministers of Agriculture providing for the establishment of PFRA in the Northeast.



Grain Production Costs

Issue: Differences exist between the cost of grain production in the Northeast and Alberta which favour production in Alberta. Grain prices have also declined in recent years, creating a difficult financial situation for Northeast grain farmers.

Status: Recommendations were made to the Provincial Government regarding assistance to grain farmers. A Provincial Government program providing $2.5 million in assistance to Northeast grain farmers was announced in August, 1990.

Gillespie Report

Issue: Commissioner Gillespie prepared the "Report of Inquiry into Agriculture Development on Crown Land in British Columbia" and the Ministry of Crown Lands subsequently prepared a discussion paper "Future Directions for Agriculture Development on Crown Land in British Columbia." The first general recommendation in the discussion paper would limit access to Crown Land for agricultural development solely to existing farms.

Status: The Agriculture Committee and the Advisory Board examined the issue and provided a recommendation that access to Crown Lands for agriculture not be limited solely to existing farms for the Northeast Region.

Energy/Mining

Oil and gas related activities in the Northeast contribute significantly to the provincial economy. The Region also generates one-third of the Province's electricity and is heavily involved in coal mining. Specific initiatives involving energy/mining include:

Rural Gasification

Issue: The Energy Committee would like to see the rural gasification program reinstated for the Region. There are sizeable pockets in the outlying areas of Dawson Creek and Fort St. John that are not serviced.

Status: The Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources announced $1.6 million in rural gas extension assistance in the Northeast for 1990.

Forestry

Over 25 per cent of the regulated forest area of the Province is located in the Northeast. Forestry activity includes logging and sawmill, plywood, waferboard and pulp production. Activities of the Forestry Committee include:

Air Tanker for the Region

Issue: The Forestry Committee feels there is an urgent need to have an air tanker permanently stationed in the Region. They point out that losses due to forest fires exceeded $224 million in the five years 1983 to 1987 inclusive. In contrast, the Cariboo Region, which has a permanently stationedair tanker sustained $76 million in losses due to forest fires during the same period.

Status: A heavy tanker was stationed at Fort St. John for the 1990 fire season.

Government Services

The government services sector includes a variety of activities such as health care, social services and education. These activities account for over 15 per cent of the experienced employment in the Region. Initiatives in this area have included:

Preventative Counselling

Issue: The Task Group believes that there is a substantial lack of adequate and affordable preventative counselling services in most of the communities

within the Region. The Group has identified the "gaps" that exist in each community, and recommends that appropriate line ministries enter into a cost-sharing agreement to provide these services to the Region.

Status: The Task Group is working with ministries to determine how the needs in the Region can be met.

Recruitment and Retention of Professionals

Issue: This Task Group is looking for ways to enhance efforts to recruit and retain skilled personnel in the Northeast Region. Recruitment and retention has been identified as a major problem in northern communities throughout Canada.

Status: The Task Group has been considering the preparation of a regional recruitment brochure and this will be pursued in the fall.

Dental Health Program for Low-Income Families

Issue: This Task Group would like to see a dental treatment program for low-income families in the Region, together with a program which would help families with poor dental habits take responsibility for their own oral health. The extraction rate in the Northeast is 10 times that of the provincial average and low-income families have been identified as the group with the highest rate of extraction.

Status: In March, 1990, the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Regional and Economic Development announced a pilot dental project for the Northeast.

Sustainable Development

Sustainable development is a growing area of concern. The Advisory Board is working on the establishment of a Sustainable Development Committee for the Northeast. The mandate for the committee will be finalized this fall.

Tourism/Small Business

Tourism is a growing industry in the Region and, along with small business, offers opportunities for economic diversification. Initiatives of the Tourism and Small Business Committee include:

Sport Fishing

Issue: Representatives from a broad cross-section of interest groups in the Region feel that there is substantial tourism and recreation potential for sport fishing.

Status: Western Renewable Resources was hired to do a study on the impact of sport fishing in the Region, together with a feasibility study of the Peace Canyon Hatchery in Hudson's Hope.

The study states that the potential economic benefits for sport fishing in the Region are substantial. It also states that the production of trout in the hatchery is not economically feasible, but that a regional hatchery producing indigenous species may well enhance sport fishing.

The Task Group has recommended that the Fisheries Branch of the Ministry of Environment develop a 20-year management plan to enhance sport fishing in the Region and that a regional hatchery be constructed to produce indigenous species. The Ministry of Environment is conducting studies to evaluate the viability of a stocking program for indigenous species.

Tourism Inventory

Issue: It was requested that an inventory of tourist sites, activities and facilities be undertaken in the Region. This information will be the basis for a regional tourism strategy.

Status: The Region contributed towards the preparation of a Tourism Inventory.

Monkman Park

Issue: This Task Group would like to see Monkman Park developed as a tourist attraction and as an amenity to enhance the quality of life for residents in the Region. Development should include providing access to the park and expanding facilities.

Status: Construction of a road into Monkman Park commenced in the summer of 1990.

Economic Development Seminar

Issue: An Economic Development Seminar for the Northeast Region was first considered by the Northeast Advisory Board in early 1989.

Status: An economic development seminar was held in Dawson Creek in May, 1990. The theme for the seminar was economic development in resource-based communities.

Rendezvous '92

Issue: The 50th anniversary of the Alaska Highway will be celebrated in 1992. The Alaska Highway 50th Anniversary Celebration Society is planning and coordinating the activities that will take place for Rendezvous '92. The Society approached the Provincial Government for funding for the project.

Status: In December, 1989, Cabinet agreed to provide $785,000 in funding over a four-year period for Rendezvous '92.

Market Discovery '89

Issue: Market Discovery is a trade show in Vancouver which offers manufacturers an opportunity to show their products to Crown corporations and the Purchasing Commission.

Status: The Northeast Region supported the attendance of seven local manufacturers at Market Discovery '89 in Vancouver.

Transportation

Transportation is a key component of regional economic development. Initiatives for the committee include:

Highway Regulations

Issue: There is a lack of continuity in highway regulations between the provinces, which has a negative effect on the Region. Ease of movement between the provinces impacts directly on oil and gas development, forestry and service industries.

Status: The Transportation Committee has been examining this issue and will continue to do so this fall.

Regional Transportation Plan

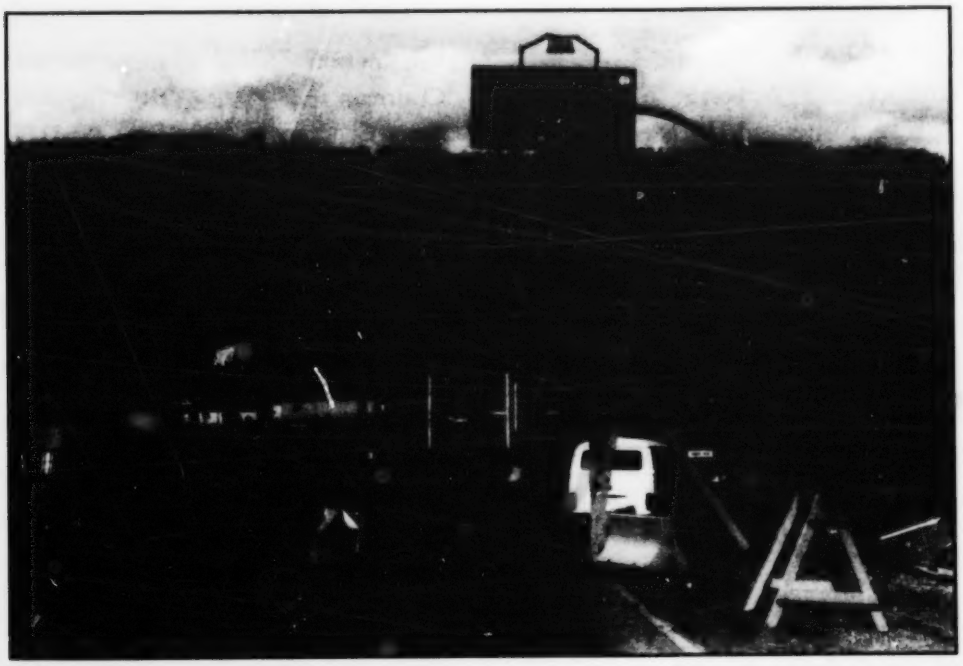
Issue: The Transportation Committee was asked to prepare a transportation plan to cover all modes of travel in the Region. Areas to be covered include highways, air, rail, resource roads, the grid-road system and pipelines.

Status: The Provincial Transportation Plan was developed incorporating many of the recommendations provided in the Regional Transportation Plan. The Transportation Task Group will be meeting again this fall to re-evaluate the recommendations in the Regional Transportation Plan.

Resource Roads

Issue: The Provincial Government has been examining the policies, administration and legislation pertaining to resource roads in B.C.

Status: The Northeast Transportation Committee and Advisory Board provided recommendations to the Provincial Government regarding resource roads.



NORTHEAST REGION
REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Municipalities

NAME OF AGENCY	MAILING ADDRESS OF CONTACT	NAME & OFFICE	TELEPHONE Business Residence Facsimile
Peace River Regional District	Box 6492 Fort St. John, B.C. V1J 4H9	Ben Knutson Chairman Karen Goodings Alternate	(B) 785-8084 (R) 785-5834 (F) 785-1125
Fort Nelson-Liard Regional District	Bag 399 Fort Nelson, B.C. V0C 1R0	Frank Parker Mayor	(B) 774-2641 (R) 774-2433 (F) 774-6794
District of Tumbler Ridge	Municipal Hall Box 100 Tumbler Ridge, B.C. V0C 2W0	William M. Caisley Mayor Bob Miles Alternate	(B) 242-4242 (F) 242-3993
City of Dawson Creek	Box 150 10105 - 12 A Street Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 4G4	Bob Trail Mayor	(B) 782-3351 (R) 782-2352 (F) 782-3352
Village of Pouce Coupe	Box 190 5000 - 49 Avenue Pouce Coupe, B.C. V0C 2C0	Marc LaLoge Mayor Charles Kux-Kardos Alternate	(B) 786-5794 (R) 786-5484 (F) 786-5257

Municipalities, continued

District of Chetwynd	Box 357 5400 N. Access Chetwynd, B.C. V0C 1J0	Charles A. Lasser Mayor Robert Nicholson Alternate	(B) 788-2281 (R) 788-2790 (F) 788-2299
Town of Fort Nelson	Bag 399 Fort Nelson, B.C. V0C 1R0	Harry DeHaan Alderman	(B) 774-2323 (R) 774-6296 (F) 774-6794
City of Fort St. John	10631 - 100 Street Fort St. John, B.C. V1J 3Z5	Patrick Walsh Mayor	(B) 785-4443 (R) 785-3091 (F) 785-7106
District of Taylor	P.O. Box 300 Taylor, B.C. V0C 2K0	Frederick Jarvis Mayor	(B) 789-3392 (R) 789-3721 (F) 789-3543
District of Hudson's Hope	Box 330 Hudson's Hope, B.C. V0C 1V0	Les Braaten Mayor	(B) 783-9901 (R) 783-5431 (F) 783-5741

Chambers of Commerce

Fort St. John & Area Chamber of Commerce	9830 - 100 Ave. Fort St. John, B.C. V1J 1Y5	Bob George	(B) 787-0521
Dawson Creek & Area Chamber of Commerce	102 - 816 Alaska Ave. Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 4T6	Bob Haugen	(B) 782-4888
Tumbler Ridge Chamber of Commerce	Box 2110 Tumbler Ridge, B.C. V0C 2W0	Rob Willis	(B) 242-4702 (R) 242-4769
Fort Nelson Chamber of Commerce	Box 196 Fort Nelson, B.C. V0C 1R0	David Creighton	(B) 774-2956

Chambers of Commerce, continued

Fort Nelson Business Association	R.R. #1 Fort Nelson, B.C. V0C 1R0	Richard Neufeld	(B) 774 7251 (R) 774-2273
Chetwynd and Area Chamber of Commerce	Box 178 Chetwynd, B.C. V0C 1J0	Pat Flack	(B) 788-2213 (R) 788-9711

Hospitals

Fort St. John Hospital Board	9636 - 100 Avenue Fort St. John, B.C. V1J 1Y3	John Wetzel	(B) 785-6671 (R) 789-3452
Dawson Creek Hospital Board	1500 - 94 Avenue Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 1H1	Glenna Radley	(R) 782-2645
Chetwynd Hospital Board	Box 123 Chetwynd, B.C. V0C 1J0	Jack Hannam	(R) 788-2760
Pouce Coupe Hospital Board	Box 584 1524-95 Avenue Pouce Coupe, B.C. V0G 2C0	Joe Judge	(B) 782-1388 (R) 786-5168
Fort Nelson Hospital Board	Box 60 Fort Nelson, B.C. V0C 1R0	Sylvia Gerwein	(B) 774-6916 (R) 774-2695
Tumbler Ridge Health Centre	Box 80 Tumbler Ridge, B.C. V0C 2W0	Gary Davies	(B) 242-5221 (F) 242-5227

Hospitals, continued

Registered Nurses' Association	404-96A Avenue Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 1M4	Sue VanNoortwyk	(B) 784-2422 (R) 782-3089
Peace-River Liard Union Board of Health	Box 123 Chetwynd, B.C. V0C 1J0	Jack Hannam	(B) 782-2281 (R) 787-2760 (F) 788-2299
Peace River Health Unit	10110 - 13 Street Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 3W2	Larry Austman	(B) 784-2400 (R) 782-4442 (F) 784-2413

School Boards

School District #81 Fort Nelson	Box 87 Fort Nelson, B.C. V0C 1R0	Adine Wong Trustee	(B) 774-2591 (R) 774-2931
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School District #60 Peace River North	Box 287 Charlie Lake, B.C. V0C 1H0	Wilf Chelle Trustee	(B) 785-6785 (R) 787-4319
Northern Lights College	P.O. Box 448 Hudson's Hope, B.C. V0C 1V0	Hugh Hodgkinson	(B) 783-5507 (R) 783-5739

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Opportunities North	9912 - 106 Avenue Fort St. John, B.C. V1J 2N9	Sherri Phillips	(B) 785-1810 (F) 785-1125

Economic Development Commissions, continued

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Fort Nelson Regional Economic Development Board	Bag 399 Fort Nelson, B.C. V0C 1R0	Colin Griffiths	(B) 774-2541 (R) 774-6326 (F) 774-6794
Chetwynd Economic Development Commission	Box 357 Chetwynd, B.C. V0C 1J0	Betty Deck	(B) 788-2281 (R) 788-3722 (F) 788-2299
Tumbler Ridge Economic Development Commission	Box 100 Tumbler Ridge, B.C. V0C 2W0	Michelle Coughlin	(B) 242-4242 (F) 242-3993

Others

Peace Liard Ventures Corp.	P.O. Box 478 Hudson's Hope, B.C. V0C 1V0	Rita Porter	(B) 785-6794 (R) 783-5494
Community Futures of Peace River-Liard	Box 6850 Fort St. John, B.C. V1G 4V6	Ella Fraser	(B) 785-2544 (R) 785-1125
Conventional Lenders Representative	9959-100 Avenue Fort St. John, B.C. V1J 1Y4	Norm McEvoy	(B) 785-8101
B.C. Grain Producers' Association	1400 - 94th Avenue Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 1G8	Ross Ravelli	(R) 782-6624
Northern B.C. Truckers Association	Box 508 Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 4H4	Larry Young	(B) 782-3330 (R) 786-5270 (F) 782-9300

Others, continued

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Northern B.C. Guides Association	Box 1 Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 4E9	Gary Moore	(R)	782-9772
Game Farming Associations	Box 9 Cecil Lake, B.C. V0C 1G0	Bill Bickford	(B)	781-3507
National Farmers Union	Box 386 Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 4H3	Juste Hendricks	(B)	782-8656
B.C. Fox Breeders Association	Box 339 Hudson's Hope, B.C. V0C 1V0	Robert Bach	(B) (R) (F)	783-5791 783-9120 783-5791
District of Taylor Transportation Planning	10808 - 102 Street Fort St. John, B.C. V1J 4X7	Roy Blackwood	(B)	789-3392
District of Hudson's Hope Transportation Planning	Box 486 Hudson's Hope, B.C. V0C 1J0	Norm Guelly	(B) (R) (F)	783-5426 783-5266 783-5741
City of Dawson Creek Transportation Planning	Box 150 Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 4G4	Harald Hansen	(B)	782-3351
District of Tumbler Ridge Transportation Planning	Box 100 Tumbler Ridge, B.C. V0C 2W0	David Semczyson	(B) (F)	242-4242 242-3993

Others continued

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North & South Peace Beekeepers Association	R.R. #1 Fort St. John, B.C. V1J 4M6	Ernie Fuhr	(B) 785-4808
Peace-Liard Region of B.C. Wildlife Federation	Baldonnel, B.C. V0C 1V0	Herb Bennett	(R) 789-3466
Peace River-Alaska Highway Tourist Association	10239 - 102 Avenue Fort St. John, B.C. V1J 2E4	Donna Spear	(B) 785-2544 (R) 785-4886
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Airport Manager Transport Canada	Box 1, R.R. #1 Fort Nelson, B.C. V0C 2R0	David Creighton	(B) 774-6454
North & South Peace Dairy Farmers	R.R. #1 Fort St. John, B.C. V1J 4M6	Otto Wuthrich	(R) 785-4238

Others, continued

Peace Foothills Winter Games	Box 330 Hudson's Hope, B.C. V0C 1V0	Fay Lavellee	(B) (R)	783-9901 783-5576
B.C. Institute of Professional Agrologists	1729-90 Avenue Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 1A5	Doug McLennan	(R)	782-7846
Northern Lights Real Estate Board	904 - 102 Avenue Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 2B7	Lance Dowd	(B) (R) (F)	782-5535 782-4904 782-6776
Cariboo Real Estate	9603 - 111 Avenue Fort St. John, B.C. V1J 2Y9	Marion Ewasiuk	(B)	785-8881
Peace River South Teachers Association	Box 145 Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 4G3	Alice Marquardt	(B) (R)	782-1284 843-7582
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Dawson Creek Society for the Mentally Handicapped	Box 568 Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 4H4	Mary Spoke	(B) (R)	782-2611 843-7684
Dawson Creek Construction Association	1130 - 102 Avenue Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 2C1	Gordon Cox	(B) (R)	782-4042 782-3508
Family Support Society	c/o Box 98 Tumbler Ridge, B.C. V0C 2W0	Camille Lagauex	(B)	242-4049

Others, continued

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B.C. Principals & Vice Principals Association	10512 - 13 Street Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 3W6	Joan Harkness	(B)	782-9476
North Peace Community Resources	10251 - 100 Ave. Fort St. John, B.C. V1J 1Y8	Gerrard Bellefeuille	(B)	785-6021
Peace River Regional Arts Council	9920 - 113 Avenue Fort St. John, B.C. V1J 4P6	Susan E. Popesku	(B)	785-1989
RCMP Northeast Detachment	10648 - 100 Street Fort St. John, B.C. V1J 3Z6	Dave Vince	(B)	785-6617
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Others, continued

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North Peace Physicians & Surgeons	9820 - 101 Avenue Fort St. John, B.C. V1J 2B2	Dr. Art Cain	(B) 787-1123

Major Employers

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Chetwynd Forest Industries	Box 426 Chetwynd, B.C. V0C 1J0	James A. Spinks	(B) 788-2686 (R) 788-2254
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Louisiana Pacific Panel Products Ltd.	Box 2338 Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 4P2	Doug Swaffield	(B) 782-1616 (R) 782-4353
Tackama	R.R. #1 Fort Nelson, B.C. V0C 1R0	Don Clutterham	(B) 774-7000 (R) 774-6751
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Bullmoose Operating Corp.	Box 500 Tumbler Ridge, B.C. V0C 2W0	Mark Olsen	(B) 242-5221 (R) 242-5496

Major Employers, continued

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